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### **TOHONO O'ODHAM MAN SENTENCED TO 8 YEARS IN PRISON FOR RAPE**

TUCSON, Ariz. – Rodney Michael Salvicio, age 28, of Sells, Ariz., was sentenced on November 29, 2004 to 97 months in prison by U.S. District Judge Frank R. Zapata in Tucson, Ariz.

Salvicio had pleaded guilty to Aggravated Sexual Abuse by force in violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 2241(a)(1), in connection with his rape of an ex-girlfriend on March 22, 2002. On that date, the defendant, who had been drinking alcohol, forced his way into his ex-girlfriend's residence and forced intercourse with the victim against her will. The victim reported that the defendant had forcibly engaged in intercourse with her several times before.

After completing his prison sentence, Salvicio will be placed on supervised release for a period of five years with stringent sex offender supervision conditions. These include the requirement that he register as a sex offender, that he participate in psychological counseling and monitoring for compliance and that he not have unsupervised contact with minors under the age of 18. Salvicio will also be required to reside in a community corrections center for up to one year after he is released from custody.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Tohono O'Odham Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The prosecution was handled by Carin C. Duryée, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson, Ariz.

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